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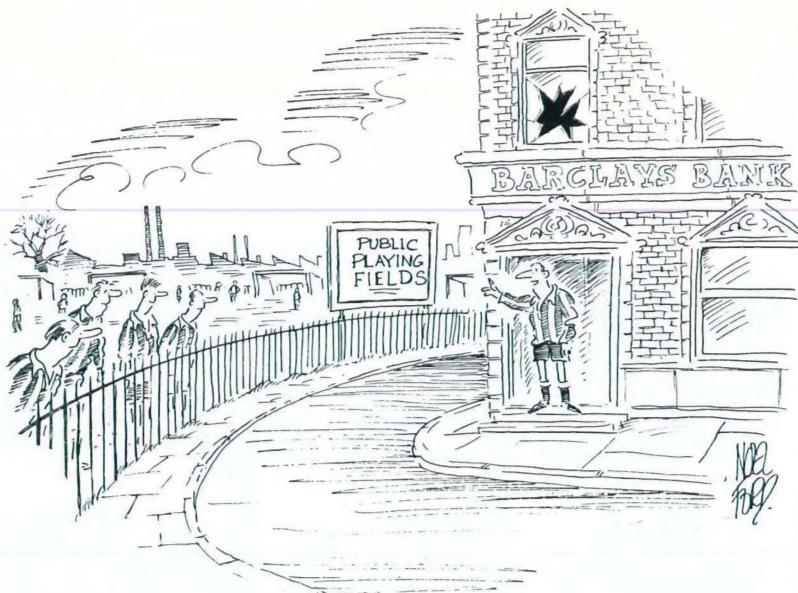
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MANAGERS NOTES

After our last home match, the defeat by Swansea from a position of 2-0 up, the mood among the supporters was one of huge disappointment. There were those, I know, who had all but written us off. Two away matches loomed, including the make or break night on Tuesday at Mansfield.

We know now what happened and, suddenly, the mood has changed again and those who were pessimists live in hope again. The win at Preston put us in touch with those immediately above and we knew the Mansfield game was one we had to win and could not afford to lose.

Overall, it was a superb performance and the second half was the best we have played since at Crewe when we came out of the Fourth Division.

The players wanted the win more and it showed and at this stage I must mention the support at the end we were attacking. That backing kept the momentum going and lifted the players tremendously and they know you played your part. Thanks.

It has kept the pot boiling and, a month ago, I would have settled for where we are now. But there are difficult games ahead and one can only ask



the players to do their best to win them.

Incidentally, our away run is four wins in succession in the league and you have to go back to February 1982, in Division Two, to equal it on League matches alone although there were three League and one League Cup success in 1988.

We welcome Phil Neale and Bolton, who are attempting to clinch one of the automatic promotion places, and hope to recapture our away form at home.

Please enjoy the game and thanks for your support.

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KIWI CONNECTION

As Rotherham born soccer coach Kevin Fallon was being named as one of the 14 FIFA instructors worldwide, one of his tips for future success was joining the Millers on trial for a couple of weeks. Scott Smith who is just sixteen years of age hails from Christchurch in New Zealand. Scott made the long journey which involved over thirty hours of travelling with his father. The youngster was last years captain of the New Zealand under sixteen side and he played in centre defence or full back. He made his Millers debut in the 4-1 win over Sheffield Wednesday on Tuesday afternoon. Playing at right back he thoroughly enjoyed the game and I know John Breckin was delighted with his performance. On Wednesday night Scott and his father travelled to Anfield for the reserve game where he played the last 15 minutes I spoke to both just before they left for Liverpool and they were very excited indeed. Scott initially had a couple of weeks at Hull City and after his spell here he will be having a couple of weeks at Ipswich. Back in New Zealand Scott is a keen volleyball player but has already decided that it is a life in soccer for him. We hope he has an enjoyable time with us here at Millmoor and on his trip over here in England.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

From everyone here at Millmoor our thanks go to all the Millers supporters who travelled to Mansfield on Tuesday night. For almost one and a half thousand to make the journey was a marvellous response. The way you got

behind the lads throughout the ninety minutes was encouraging for everyone connected with the club. The players responded with a brilliant performance and the right result. Get behind them today, lets hear you shouting them on. Once again many thanks we were proud of you and your behaviour.

PORTERFIELD OUT OF WORK

Ex Millers manager Ian Porterfield was dismissed as manager of Reading after a run of poor results. Ten years ago he took the Millers to the third division championship. Current Rotherham manager Phil Henson was his first signing and John Breckin was also a member of his successful squad.

RONNIE AT FIELD MILL

I bumped into Ronnie Moore at Mansfield on Tuesday night. He was running the rule over the Stags who Tranmere play today. He was delighted with our performance but still had not really recovered from the 2-1 win we had at Prenton Park a couple of weeks ago. Lets hope they can help us today by defeating Mansfield.

WEMBLEY DELIGHT FOR SMIFFY

One beaming face at the end of last Sundays Rumbelows Cup Final was that of Alan Smith, a face well known to Millers fans. Alan did of course hold a similar position here at Millmoor some years ago. Alan still resides in Wickersley and he is one of the most respected men in his field. He is no stranger to Wembley however as he is the physio for the England Under 21 side. Nice to see the smile Alan.

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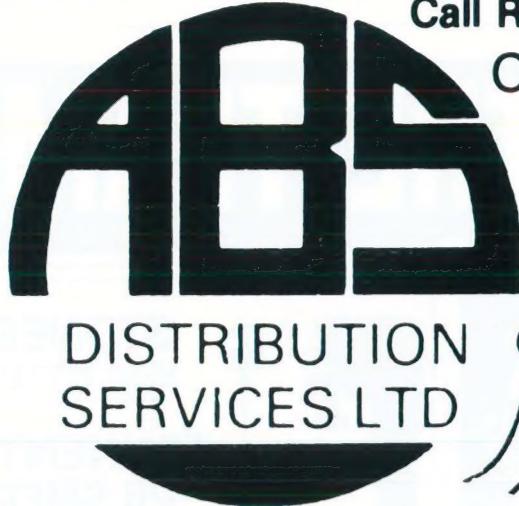
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What a pleasure it has been travelling home from away games recently. Some superb performances have brought 4 successive victories on opponents grounds and in fact I heard someone comment at Mansfield that Rotherham were one of the best sides he had seen at Field Mill all season.

The journey home from Preston was slightly spoiled though for my colleague Les Payne. On the way out he said a horse called 'BOLD LES' was running at 4.30 pm. Having weighed up its form he thought it wasn't consistent enough to risk a few bob.

We had the radio on coming home when the late racing results were read out and the inevitable had happened. 'BOLD LES' had come in at 12-1 so that temporarily took the gloss off the three points at Preston for Mr Payne - not for long though.

Among the many statistics I keep throughout the season is a breakdown of the times all goals in Millers' matches have been scored - these I have broken down into 5 minute spells and they make quite interesting reading.

Six goals have been conceded in the opening 5 minutes, 9 more after 20 mins. With a high of 11 goals going into Rotherham's net around the hour mark. The Millers most productive spell has been

immediately after the hour mark with 10 goals in that five minute spell.

One thing supporters must not do when watching Rotherham games is to leave early because a total of 16 goals have so far been netted in the closing 5 minutes. Here is the chart.

Goals scored	Time In Mins	Goals Conceded
2	0-5	6
3	6-10	4
2	11-15	5
4	16-20	2
2	21-25	9
2	26-30	2
1	31-35	4
2	36-40	5
4	41-45	3
7	46-50	3
3	51-55	2
3	56-60	11
10	61-65	5
3	66-70	2
2	71-75	9
4	76-80	3
3	81-85	7
6	86-90	10

DAYS GONE BY

10 YEARS AGO

CARLISLE UNITED 0 ROTHERHAM UNITED 1

Teams: Millers: Mountford, Forrest, Breckin, Rhodes, Stancliffe, Mullen, Towner, Seasman, Moore, Fern, Gooding Sub Taylor

Carlisle: JSwinbourne, Coady, Haigh, Hamilton, Houghton, Parker, Coughlin, Campbell, Robson, Beardsley, Staniforth Sub: Bannon for Robson 24 mins Referee: Joe Worral (Warrington) Att 6788

There was champagne, singing, even a few tears as Rotherham United welcomed themselves back into the second division with all the emotional joy one would expect. It was a memorable afternoon for the three thousand or so Millers fans who basked in the sunshine as they saw their favourites battle their way to the prize that has dangled in front of them for the past couple of months. This was no easy game for the Millers and their defence had to be it's very best to deal with the outstanding talents of Peter Beardsley, but they gave a perfect demonstration on how they had kept 24 clean sheets in the league this season. The goal that was to clinch victory for the Millers came after just three minutes and unfortunately a number of United fans were still outside in the long queues trying to get into Brunton Park. Rhodes, who had a splendid match in midfield, threaded a long ball down the centre of the field, Rodney Fern was quickly onto it, he rode an attempted foul and hit a fine low shot past Swinburne's right hand and inside the near post. Bannon somehow managed to miss from just two yards after 56 minutes and that was to be the last chance the home side had. Fern and Gooding were unlucky not to add to the Millers score.

20 YEARS AGO

ROCHDALE 4 ROTHERHAM UNITED 3

Teams: Millers: McDonough, Houghton, Hudson, Hague, Mielczarek, Swift, Bentley, Gilbert, Johnson, Mullen, Fantham

What a second half at Rochdale as the Millers finally lost by the odd goal in seven in a half that had everything. Two own goals, two penalties, one of them missed, mistakes made and chances not taken. The Millers were the more skillful side but on a heavy pitch against a side who never stop, and give the opposition a hard ninety minutes, the home side just about deserved the victory. Rotherham certainly missed the presence of John Quinn in midfield and only David Bentley looked anything like his usual self. Rochdale took the lead just 30 seconds from the interval, it was a tragedy for young McDonough the Millers keeper, he came for the ball but saw it stick in the mud. Cross latched on to it and fired under the keeper. On 68 minutes the home side went two up from the penalty spot, Swift the culprit. The Millers then battled back and six minutes later they had levelled. Mielczarek then missed a chance to put Rotherham ahead from a free kick and they were immediately punished when Rochdale took the lead again. Two minutes later it was 4-2 and then astonishingly it could have been 5-2. No one could understand it when Rochdale were awarded a penalty, but McDonough made a fine save. Rotherham stormed back up field and made it 4-3, Hudson beat two men, crossed for Hague who flicked on for Swift to smash the ball home. Who knows what would have happened had there been another five minutes to play.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW



STEVE DERRETT

Born: Cardiff

Welsh International: 4 Caps

U-23 International,

Schoolboy International

League Career

(subs appearances in brackets)

Club	Appearances	Goals
Cardiff	62 (+4)	1
Carlisle	13	-
Aldershot (loan)	4	-
Rotherham	79 (+2)	2
Newport County	61	-

Steve Derrett played right back throughout his career, despite the occasional move into midfield. Steve considers himself a right back and last Sunday was turning out in last position for his bi-annual charity match for Cardiff ex players. (Steve said Jimmy Goodfellow was turning out for that game on Rumbelows Cup final day as well). Steve started his career with his home town club where he encountered ex Miller David Carver. (Steve says a week or so ago David Carver came from running his pub in Norwich to attend a testimonial dinner for the kit man at Cardiff City).

Despite these emotional ties with 'the Bluebirds' Steve is no longer associated with the club and doesn't fancy watching fourth division football at troubled Ninian Park on a regular basis. He does believe though that, despite their problems, Cardiff City will survive financially and that is a

welcome relief to all involved. After leaving Cardiff he joined Carlisle but the manager who signed him left and the new man, Alan Ashman, found him not in his plans. Jim McGuigan's influence brought him to Millmoor along with old Cardiff pal Bob Delgado. He left after a dispute over his contract and made the homeward journey to South Wales which, he now confesses, he always was looking for. He enjoyed his time at Millmoor and was keen to find out where his ex colleagues are now from the promotion winning team of 1974-75. As all promotion sides many Millers players clocked up over 40 appearances that season and Steve made it to 44 from the right back position. To liken Steve to, arguably, the best right full back of recent third division times Billy Russell is not an unfair comparison. Both passes skill and intelligence as well as physical, solid defending. Another talented couple of full backs arrive today from visitors Bolton Wanderers. Phil Neal, the manager and Phil Brown (captain) and member of the PFA's fourth division team this season. His long legged sorties down the right have earned him this consistent reward. Steve Derret is a salesman now living in Cardiff, but selling his industrial clothing round and about the South Wales area. His son is a fine rugby player but his early promise of playing for Wales schools has, as yet, not been fulfilled, but Steve is very proud of him, that you can tell. John Breckin is the only member of that promotion winning side still at Millmoor Steve Derret, never a regular goalscorer, will be remembered for his ability at full back and his solidity in a team which had youth and experience as well as promotion medals to prove it. Let's hope Bolton achieve their promotion aims, but they will forgive us for hoping that today United can make it a fifth successive home win against the Burnden Park men. Memorable of course for the last two games and individual striking winners. Pat Heard and Andy Williams will remember those strikes for a long time.

BY ROBERT CLARKSON



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MAN IN THE MIDDLE

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Stoke City	v	Bradford City
Swansea City	v	Shrewsbury Town
Wigan Athletic	v	Cambridge United
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Shaun Goater Medial Knee Ligament and Ankle Damage

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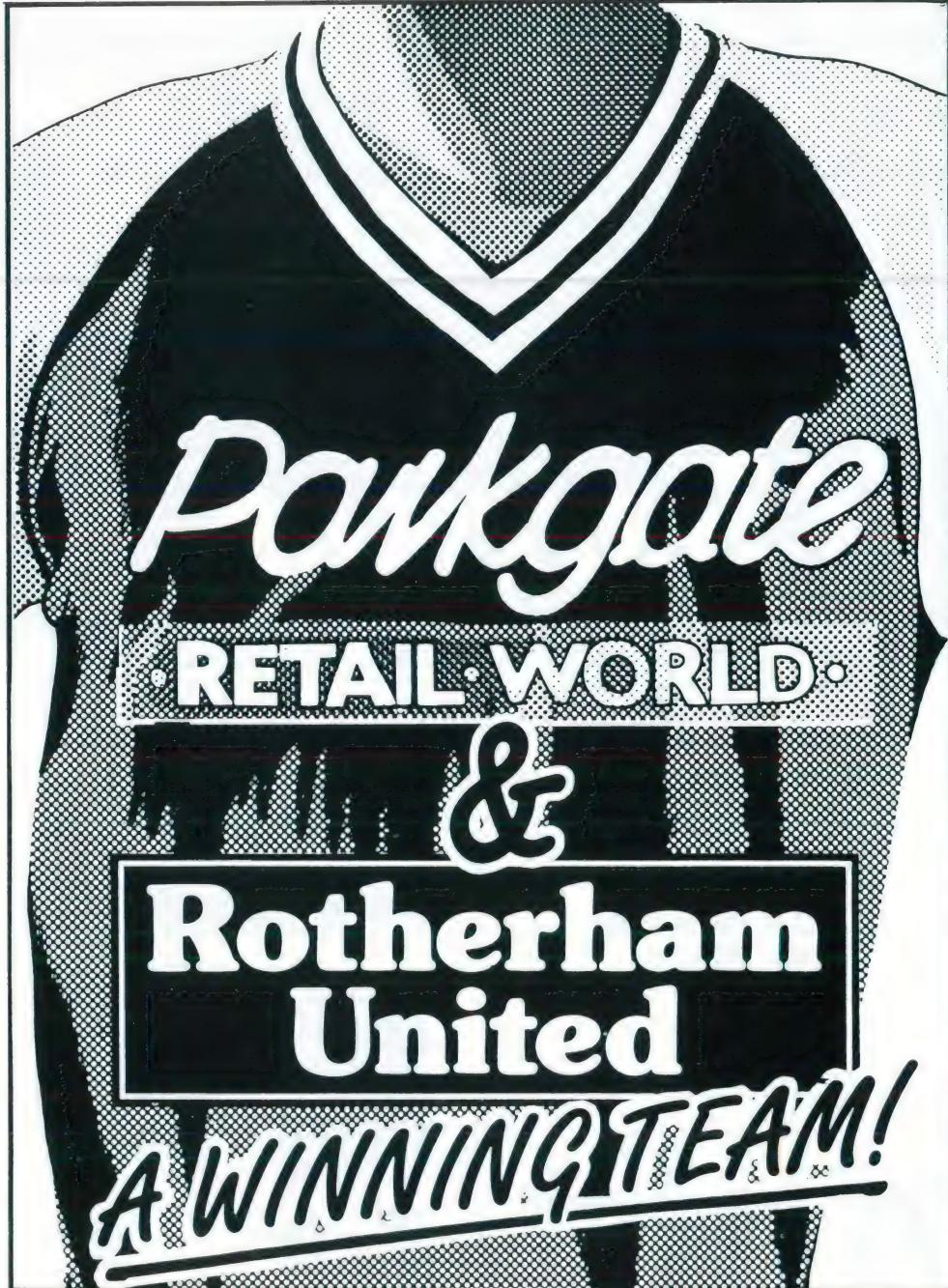
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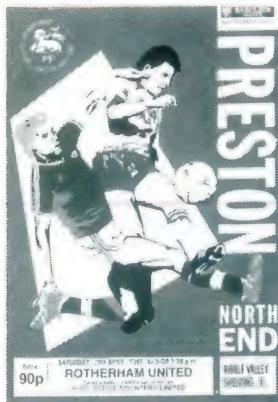
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Bolton fans will be pleased to note the poor effort by their Lancashire rivals Preston. Bolton, like the Millers, won there 2-1 but couldn't (unlike these superb Millers) complete the double over Preston! The Millers first double of the season was at Chester and this second double came courtesy of Clive Mendoncas winner whom, coincidentally, scored the 87th minute winner over Preston at Millmoor back in October. Our 'jinx' over Preston extends to todays visitors so welcome to Bolton! Prestons effort though has large printing, some rather dull articles, laced with good club info though and a fine facts and figures page. Reserves (Pontins League division 2) and Youth team are given full page match reports, but no league tables. There are many pages on the 'past' with photos of ex players to guess, one page showing two team photos (one of them the Millers the connection being Roy Tunks) and another one showing past matches 'on this day'. All of those sections look like 'filling in' pages to me. Are they? One good article shows a young Tony Morley (later Aston Villa and England) scoring the equaliser v the Millers as Preston

went onto win 3-2 at Deepdale in January 1976. Mark Lawrenson played for Preston that day along with Morley. Collectors corner features some very old programmes, whilst regular contributor Paul Agnew is given about as much room to air his views as you do on a postcard from abroad. The Millers coverage is sparse and Steve Spooner is still profiled. Thankfully the team on the back doesn't contain Bobby Williamson, Martin Scott, John Buckley, 'Len' (!) Goater, Andy Williams or Tony Grealish! Or, should I say, I wish it had have done! Given the plastic pitch and somewhat dilapidated ground this programme adds to the disappointment all round of once 'Proud Preston'. Let's hope Les Chapman can pull things round for them. Today we ask for three points in a game we can't afford to lose. Has Ian Porterfield joined us or not? By now we should know. Good luck to him either way and a 'footballing' Bolton side. They deserve to go up the way they play the game under Phil Neal. Not today though, we need those points again!

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BOLTON WANDERERS

Back Row: (l-r) Paul Hughes, Barry Cowdrill, Mark Came, Mark Winstanley, Paul Comstive, Alan Stubbs, Nicky Spooner, Robbie Savage.
Middle Row: (l-r) Phil Neal (Manager), Julian Darby, Gary Henshaw, Dean Crombie, Dave Felgate, Kevin Rose, Mike Jeffrey, Gary Brown, Neil Fisher, Mick Brown (Coach)
Front Row: (l-r) Ewan Simpson, (Physiotherapist), David Reeves, Phil Brown, Tony Philliskirk, Stuart Storer, Steve Thompson, David Burke, Darren Oliver, Scott Green, Steve Carroll (Youth Team Coach).

VISITORS END

If recent games between the Millers and Bolton Wanderers are a guideline then today should be a very tight game indeed.

Phil Neal has gradually put together a very useful side who are desperate for second division football, and certainly they have a ground that will do justice to the second division.

Last season they were always up with the front runners finally finishing in sixth spot. The play offs saw them up against Neil Warnock's Notts County who eventually won promotion to division two. The first leg at Burnden Park ended 1-1, Philliskirk the scorer for Bolton from the penalty spot. The game attracted over fifteen thousand fans as did the second leg at Nottingham. County won the second leg 2-0.

Probably Bolton's downfall was the failure to score during March and April. The defence had looked pretty sound but the last fifteen league games only saw them score fifteen goals and in nine of those games they failed to score. Tony Philliskirk was responsible for scoring nine of those fifteen goals.

This season it is Philliskirk again who has been their most prolific scorer, but goals have come from other positions also Darby, Reeves, Storer, Green and Thompson have all chipped in with

useful goals.

On transfer deadline day Phil Neale made his second raid of the season over at Gigg Lane. This time he snapped up Tony Cunningham who has scored twice against the Millers already this season. He is now partnering Philliskirk up front, in midfield is the other ex Bury player Mark Patterson. Patterson cost them £65,000 with Cunningham costing £5,000 more. Another important signing was that of central defender Mark Seagraves from Manchester City. The ex Liverpool player who can also play at full back cost £100,000.

Bolton have been one of the divisions most consistent sides this season. On the 2nd October they started an undefeated league run of 24 matches before they eventually came a cropper at Mansfield on the 12th March losing 4-0. In the Rumbelows Cup they had two thrilling games against Coventry losing 7-4 on aggregate, Philliskirk scoring all four, this after disposing of Huddersfield 5-1 on aggregate in the first round.

The FA Cup brought them a large pay day and they were unfortunate to lose 1-0 at Old Trafford. A draw would surely have filled Burnden Park for the replay.

Today should see a terrific game as both sides are desperate for three points.

By Dave Nicholls

PEN PICS

DAVID FELGATE: Goalkeeper: Born Ffestiniog. Commenced his career with the Wanderers but failed to make a league appearance before being sold to Lincoln City for a £25,000 fee. Whilst at Sincil Bank he won his only Welsh international cap and in February 1987 returned to Bolton from Grimsby Town for £15,000.

PHIL BROWN: Full back: Born South Shields. Club captain who has been an ever present in the side for the past two seasons since his £17,000 move from Halifax Town. He made 135 league appearances for the Yorkshire club after playing 200 times for his first club Hartlepool United.

BARRY COWDRILL: Full back/midfield: Born Birmingham. Began his career with West Bromwich Albion who secured his services from Sutton Coldfield Town. He moved to Burnden two seasons' ago after 131 games for Albion and was last seasons player of the year.

MARK PATTERSON: £65,000 signing from Bury in Jan 1991.

MARK SEAGRAVES: £100,000 signing from Man City in September. Can play either centre half or full back - Ex Liverpool player.

STUART STORER: Midfield/forward: Born Harborough. Joined Bolton in a £25,000 deal from Everton in January 1988 after a loan spell. Began his career with Mansfield Town before moving to Birmingham City and then on to Goodison Park.

STEVE THOMPSON: Midfield: Born: Oldham. The clubs longest serving professional having made his debut in November 1982. Came through the youth ranks and has since played over 300 games in three divisions of the football league.

TONY CUNNINGHAM £70,000 signing from Bury in March 1991.

TONY PHILLISKIRK: Forward: Born Sunderland. Last season's leading goalscorer after his close season £50,000 move to Burnden from Preston North End. Began his career with Sheffield United, making 80 appearances, before moving to Oldham in July 1988 where he spent only 7 months.

JULIAN DARBY: Midfield: Born: Bolton. A product of the clubs youth policy who has proved to be a versatile member of the squad since making his debut in 1986. Over 150 appearances for his home town club and was an ever present last term in which he scored 12 goals.

DAVID REEVES: Forward: Born Birkenhead. A tribunal set his fee at £8000 when he moved to the Wanderers from Sheffield Wednesday last summer. Joined Wednesday from non league football and subsequently got his first taste of league football in loan spells with Scunthorpe and Burnley.

SCOTT GREEN: Midfield: Born Walsall. A £50,000 fee secured the 20 year old from Derby County last March. He failed to appear in the first team at the Baseball Ground but forced his way into the Bolton side in the later stages of the campaign.

ROBBIE SAVAGE: Midfield: Born Liverpool. Missed most of last season through injury. First appeared in the football league in a loan period with Wrexham from his first club Liverpool. Since played with Stoke City, Bournemouth and Bradford City from whom he joined Bolton in September 1987.

STATISTICS

BOLTON WANDERERS

Ground: Burnden Park, Capacity 27,500

Pitch Dimensions: 113 x 76 yards

Colours: White shirts with red & blue trim, white socks and navy shorts
Change: Red shirts and socks, white shorts

Nickname: The Trotters

Manager: Phil Neale

Most capped player: Nat Lofthouse 33 England

Most League appearances: Eddie Hopkinson 519 1956-1970

Highest League Scorer in a season: Joe Smith 38 1920/21

Most League goals in Total: Nat Lofthouse 255

Record T/Fer fee paid: £350,000 to W.B.A. for Len Cantello 1979.

Record T/Fer fee received: £340,000 from Birmingham City for

Neil Whatmore 1974.

Most League Points: (2pts) 61 Div 3 1972/73 (3pts) 78 Div 4

1987/88

Most League Goals: 96 Div 2 1934/35

Record League Defeat: 0-7 v Man City Div 1 1936

Record League Victory: 8-0 v Barnsley Div 2 1934. - 0-7 v Sheff Wed Div 1 1915

Home Form: Bradford City (0-1), Crewe (3-2), P.N.E. (1-2), Stoke (0-1), Mansfield (1-1), Rotherham (0-0), Swansea (1-0), Reading (3-1), Tranmere (2-1), Cambridge (2-2), Bournemouth (4-1), Shrewsbury (1-0), Brentford (1-0), Huddersfield (1-1), Exeter (1-0), Grimsby (0-0), Fulham (3-0), Wigan (2-1), Bury (1-3), Southend (1-0), Birmingham (3-1), Leyton Orient (1-0)

Away Form: Shrewsbury (1-0), Huddersfield (0-4), Brentford (2-4), Wigan (1-2), Bury (2-2), Leyton Orient (1-0), Chester (2-0), Grimsby (1-0), Fulham (1-0), Southend (1-1), Birmingham (3-1), Bradford (1-1), P.N.E. (2-1), Reading (1-0), Tranmere (1-1), Mansfield (0-4), Stoke (2-2), Exeter (1-2), Cambridge (1-2), Crewe (3-1).

Ave Home Att this Season: 6972

Ave Home Att last Season: 7292

Highest Home Gate this Season: 11,280 v Birmingham

Lowest Home Gate this Season: 3631 v Mansfield

MAN TO WATCH

TONY PHILLISKIRK

Twenty six year old Tony is no stranger to Millers fans having spent a month on loan here during the 1986/87 season. His partner up front if you can recall was Gareth Evans. I remember them having a hell of a tussle over at Blackpool when a certain Nicky Law was at the heart of the Blackpool defence and in the 1-1 draw he was sent off.

Sunderland born Tony joined Sheffield United as an apprentice and he made his debut for the Blades against Brentford in October 1983. He was just eighteen at the time and he finally made 21 appearances that season scoring eight times. In the summer of 1988 he left Bramall Lane for Oldham Athletic but he played very few games for Joe Royal before moving to Preston North End in February 1989. He made just thirteen appearances with one as sub scoring six times before being snapped up for a bargain £50,000 by Phil Neale. He quickly became a favourite with the Brunden Park fans and last season his partnership up front with ex Owl David Reeves brought him 25 goals, ten of those from the penalty spot. He has already beaten last seasons total and he looks set for thirty plus by the end of this campaign. Lets hope he has not got his shooting boots on this afternoon.

MANAGER PROFILE

PHIL NEALE

Aged 40. — Very few present managers can have a trophy cabinet as full as that of Bolton manager Phil Neale.

As a player at Liverpool he was involved in eight first division championships winning sides. In Europe he picked up a UEFA Cup winners medal in 1976, and he was a member of the side that lifted the European Cup in 1977/78/81/84. Add to that a host of Charity Shield victories and fifty England caps and I guess there won't be room for much more.

Phil began his playing career with Northampton Town as an apprentice. He made his league debut in the 1968/69 season when the Cobblers were a third division side. It was in October 1974 that he was snapped up by Liverpool. At Northampton he scored 29 goals in his 182 league appearances not bad for a full back. He totalled over four hundred and fifty appearances for Liverpool scoring 41 goals.

In December 1985 he moved to Bolton Wanderers playing 53 times and scoring 3 goals. He took them out of the fourth division at the end of the 1987/88 season and the year later they were winners of the Sherpa Van Trophy, now the Leyland Daf cup. The second division is the obvious target Phil Neale has set his sights on and in a few weeks time he should know if he has achieved his goal. If automatic promotion is not achieved then surely a play off spot is theirs. One of the nicest men in the game Phil Neale will be looking for us to do them a favour when their nearest challengers Cambridge United visit Millmoor.

MILLMOOR ACTION



Right: Mark Dempsey and Shaun Goodwin celebrate the Millers 2nd goal
Left: Ronnie Robinson in action v Swansea.
Cover: A Penalty put the Millers 1-0 up!!

TOP

SOUTHEND UNITED:

Exeter City (a) (27th April)
Cambridge United (h) (30th April)
Bury (a) (4th May)
Leyton Orient (h) (7th May)
Brentford (h) (11th May)

GRIMSBY TOWN:

Leyton Orient (a) (27th April)
Stoke City (a) (4th May)
Exeter City (h) (11th May)

BOLTON WANDERERS:

Rotherham United (a) (27th April)
Swansea City (a) (4th May)
Chester City (h) (11th May)

CAMBRIDGE UNITED:

Wigan Athletic (a) (27th April)
Southend United (a) (30th April)
Rotherham United (a) (4th May)
Bradford City (h) (7th May)
Swansea City (h) (11th May)

BURY:

Fulham (h) (27th April)
Southend United (h) (4th May)

TRANMERE ROVERS

Mansfield Town (a) (27th April)
Brentford (a) (4th May)
Preston North End (h) (7th May)
Bury (h) (11th May)

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN:

Bournemouth (a) (27th April)
Mansfield Town (a) (4th May)
Birmingham City (h) (11th May)

AFC BOURNEMOUTH:

Huddersfield Town (h) (27th April)
Preston North End (h) (2nd May)
Shrewsbury Town (a) (11th May)

WIGAN ATHLETIC:

Cambridge United (h) (27th April)
Bradford City (h) (4th May)
Preston North End (a) (11th May)

BRENTFORD:

Reading (h) (27th April)
Chester City (a) (30th April)
Tranmere Rovers (h) (4th May)
Southend United (a) (11th May)

BOTTOM

FULHAM:

Bury (a) (27th April)
Chester City (a) (4th May)
Leyton Orient (h) (11th May)

MANSFIELD TOWN:

Tranmere Rovers (h) (27th April)
Huddersfield Town (h) (4th May)
Crewe Alexandra (a) (11th May)

SHREWSBURY TOWN:

Swansea City (a) (27th April)
Exeter City (a) (30th April)
Birmingham City (a) (4th May)
Reading (h) (7th May)
Bournemouth (h) (11th May)

CREWE ALEXANDRA:

Birmingham City (a) (27th April)
Rotherham United (h) (30th April)
Chester City (a) (4th May)
Mansfield Town (h) (11th May)

ROTHERHAM UNITED:

Bolton Wanderers (h) (27th April)
Crewe Alexandra (a) (30th April)
Cambridge United (h) (4th May)
Bradford City (a) (11th May)

TALKING POINTS

Since the introduction of three points for a win, every season has produced a nail biting finish for the majority of the clubs in every division. Even that vital play off spot is now possible for clubs who had disappointing first halves to the season. Today's game of course is vital to both clubs for different reasons. Our visitors Bolton Wanderers are attempting to fill one of the top three positions which will give them automatic promotion to the second division. Grimsby's home defeat by Crewe on Tuesday night was perfect for Phil Neales team but despite our tremendous showing at Mansfield it was disappointing from our point of view. The champions of division three will receive £20,000 the runners up £10,000 and £5,000 goes to the team finishing third. There looks to be ten clubs now chasing automatic promotion for one of the play off spots. A close look at the list below will show you how tight a finish it is going to be. At the

wrong end of the table it is any three from five to drop into division four. Fulhams mid week defeat by Brentford pulls them back into the relegation pack. Shrewsbury won well at Reading on Tuesday but now face a further three away games before finishing with a couple of home games. For what it is worth here are my predictions for the third division. The three clubs to be promoted SOUTHEND, CAMBRIDGE, BOLTON. With play off spots for GRIMSBY, BRENTFORD, TRANMERE, BOURNEMOUTH with BRENTFORD to win the play off. My three to drop out CREWE, MANSFIELD and FULHAM. Heres hoping with fingers crossed.

DIVISION THREE

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Southend	41	24	5	12	63	48	77	ANGELL 25
Grimsby	43	22	10	11	62	33	76	WOODS/GILBERT 13
Bolton	43	22	10	11	59	47	76	PHILLISKIRK 26
Cambridge	40	21	10	9	64	41	73	DUBLIN 23
Tranmere	42	20	9	13	57	43	69	MUIR 21
Bury	43	19	12	12	64	53	69	LEE 15
Brentford	42	18	13	11	55	44	67	BUSSETT 15
Wigan	43	19	9	15	67	51	66	PAGE 18
Huddersfield	43	18	12	13	56	47	66	ROBERTS 14
Bournemouth	42	18	12	12	54	50	66	BUSSETT 20
Birmingham	43	15	17	11	44	46	62	STURRIDGE 10
Bradford C	40	17	10	13	55	46	61	McCARTHY 14
Leyton Orient	41	17	7	17	49	54	58	CASTLE 17
Stoke	43	15	11	17	53	57	56	BIGGINS 12
Reading	41	16	8	17	50	54	56	SENIOR 13
Exeter	42	15	9	18	53	47	54	NEVILLE 12
Preston	42	14	9	19	50	63	51	SHAW 14
Chester	47	13	8	21	41	51	47	DALE 11
Swansea	41	13	8	20	48	65	47	GILLIGAN 20
Fulham	43	9	14	20	38	54	41	DAVIES 7
Shrewsbury	41	10	10	71	51	63	40	SHAW 10
Rotherham	42	9	11	22	44	79	38	MENDONCA 11
Mansfield	43	8	13	72	42	58	37	WILKINSON 13
Crewe	12	8	11	23	53	76	35	SUSSEX 16

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ATTENTION - PROGRAMME COLLECTORS
A programme was printed for our F.A. Cup replay last Tuesday against Swansea. Only 250 of these programmes have been retained and are now available as a collectors item at £2 each. We have had numerous telephone calls already enquiring if any are on sale. However we are giving our own programme collectors first choice. The programmes can be purchased from the promotions office before the match, or during the week between 9a.m. - 5p.m.

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VICE-PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to Millmoor for our penultimate home game of the season. I am writing these notes before the trip to Mansfield but after last week's superb performance at Preston the fight to avoid the drop is still most definitely on! Our support at Deepdale was brilliant and much appreciated by the lads. The next meeting of our Association is scheduled for this coming Monday at 7.30 p.m. in our lounge here at Millmoor. The annual dinner/disco of the Rotherham United Vice-Presidents Association will be held this year at the Rotherham Moat House on Sunday the 12th of May. Tickets for this superb function are now available at the bargain price of only £15. For further details contact any member of the Vice-Presidents Association or telephone Rotherham 562382. The master of ceremonies for the evening will be Simon Clarke of B.B.C. Radio Sheffield. Welcome to our friends from Burnden Park. Phil Neale has patiently built a very good side that has performed extremely well after a very poor start to the season. We face a difficult task this afternoon but we have performed well against the top sides on a number of occasions this season which should give us confidence for the task in hand. It was good to see the Chuckle Brothers here again for our game against Crewe recently. The lads have a summer season coming up shortly at the 'Corner Cafe' in Scarboro and later on in the year Sunday evenings at the North Pier in Blackpool! The lads also have a couple of television series lined up for later this year. Please give the Millers your full vocal support this afternoon. Enjoy the game. Derek Dalton. (Vice-Chairman & publicity officer)

ROTHERHAM UNITED SUPPORTERS CLUB

Welcome to all the Supporters, Players and Club Officials from Bolton Wanderers.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Saturday 11th May at 8.00 p.m.. St. John Ambulance Headquarters, Downs Row, Moorgate (past Talbot Lane Church near Swinton Insurance). Buffet, Quiz, Disco and Presentation night. Tickets only £1.00 available from Millmoor Hotel, committee members and Promotions Office. Voting papers are also available from the same sources.

Thanks to Millers United for an enjoyable quiz night last Sunday. Congratulations to Derek Dalton's "Superteam" who won (Supporters club members all) - commiserations to Martin Gaynor, Bill Caine, Dawn Speight and Enid Hutchinson, representing the Supporters Club and Andy Speed, Kevin Thorneycroft, Dave Thorneycroft and Chris Dungworth representing the Supporters Club Football team - who didn't (win that is).

TRAVEL - MEMBERS ONLY

Crewe - Tuesday 30th April - £4.50. Depart 4.00.p.m.

Bradford - Saturday 11th May £3.00.
Depart 1.00.p.m.

Once again our Blackpool week-end was a huge success. I understand hidden talents were discovered - Big John the entertaining barman?

We are grateful to Gordon Beckett and Graham Dobson for organising the trip.

MEMBERSHIP

Next season membership will increase to £2.00. This is to cover increased insurance premiums that we take out on behalf of members in case of injury or late cancellation of matches.

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SPORTS QUIZ

Last Sunday was our annual sports quiz evening and we would like to thank all the members of the eight teams who participated. As usual the standard was very high and the eventual winners of the trophy, Derek Dalton's select IV, had to be on top form to beat some very stiff competition. Congratulations to Derek's team on a fine victory.

FOOTBALL SECTION

Last week all our three teams were in Cup Final action. On Tuesday our U.13's played Thrybergh in appalling weather conditions and after a very evenly well played game unfortunately lost 2-0 to two goals in the last two minutes. Well done to the U.13's in reaching the final and we look forward to further success next season. On Thursday it was the turn of the U.12's to play Brampton in the Promotion Trophy Final. The Millers played extremely well and their hard work was rewarded with a 4-0 scoreline with goals coming from James Pickering (2), David Todd and Mark Allen. Congratulations lads. On Saturday it was the turn of the U.11's. The Millers were playing Thrybergh in their second final in 8 days having already beaten East Herringthorpe. Saturday's 2-0 victory gave them the league and both Centenary League Cups Treble. Saturdays scorer were David Artell and Robert Brannigan and means that they have gone all season without a defeat. Congratulations and keep it up next season.

Carol Storey.

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MILMOOR LADIES

BAD NIGHT AT BRADFORD

BRADFORD CITY 5 MILMOOR LADIES 3

For our last league game of the 90/91 season we travelled to Bradford, where, under the floodlights on a Thursday night at Horsfall Stadium, we attempted to right a serious wrong from earlier in the season when we lost 2-3.

Following our magnificent performance against Doncaster Town, we were quietly confident of putting up a good display. However, as it has been said many times, football's a funny old game and within two minutes we were a goal down after a well placed lob went over Eileen Wilbourn's reach, but within a minute we were level when Tina Brannan headed a stunning goal.

It was all action and with virtually the next attack a Bradford winger crossed the ball and it had the good fortune to clip the inside of the upright and drop in.

Not to be outdone, we gained a corner and Joanna Stead with a lethal inswinger put us level. The score was 2-2 and only 12 minutes gone, it looked like being a high scoring game, both teams had further chances without scoring until Stead lobbed the ball from 20 yards over the Bradford keeper. We now had our noses in front and managed to keep it that way throughout the rest of a hard fought half.

On the re-start, leading 2-3 we began promisingly enough but Bradford were pressing more and more, but we were soaking it all up, until they won

a corner on the left, the ball was crossed, it was headed goalward, took a bounce and with each one of our defence thinking someone else was going to clear it, nobody did - goal - 3-3.

Now we were really under the cosh, we were a little unfortunate on the break but by now it was all Bradford. We then decided to commit soccer suicide, firstly, Jane Sylvester, under pressure failed to return the ball to Wilbourn in what appeared to be a simple back pass, then we went and did it again this time Jane Epton getting caught, these critical follies left us looking at a score of 5-3. To be fair, we did take a lot of punishment from Bradford but they did not score, we did it for them. It was a disappointing end to our league season but we are still in the Yorkshire Cup. The next round to be played on 5 May.

Team: E Wilbourn, L Dunwell, J Sylvester, T Law, J Epton, V McSloy, L Foster, V Hoyle, J Dickens, T Brannan, J Stead.

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DEREK DALTON

Hello once again everybody. Brian Clough certainly made himself available to the supporters here at Millmoor at our recent Pontins League game against Nottingham Forest. In particular a couple of young Millers fans had an evening to remember. The Forest supremo took the lads in question onto their team Bus and gave chocolate and 'pop' to each before giving them his autograph! My annual 'Racenight/Disco' in support of my sponsorship fund for Rotherham United is being held this year on Wednesday, May 8th at 'The Tivoli' Millmoor. Tickets are available from the promotions office at Millmoor priced £1 or people can pay on the door on the night. The function starts at 8 o'clock. These evenings are always great fun. Tomorrow afternoon at the Maltby Miners Welfare ground at 3. pm. there is a charity Football Match in aid of the Leukemia & Haematology research fund. Ex-Millmoor favourite John Quinn will be there with his famous All-Stars.

Obviously every game that we win right now is of vital importance to our immediate future and of course the same goes for our visitors today. A cracking game should be in prospect. It was great to read the fact that not a single arrest was made at last week's Rumbelows League Cup Final with an attendance of almost 80,000! Let's all continue the great work of restoring the image of our glorious game. We must not relax our efforts. Many thanks to local firm Guest & Chrimes for coming to the rescue of Rotherham United with the loan of a training ground until the end of the season. It is very much appreciated. Let us hope that England win well in Turkey next Wednesday. The Millers are the team that matter right now though! Take care and have an enjoyable afternoon with us here at Millmoor.

UP THE MILLERS!
DEREK DALTON

MATCH PREVIEW

Tuesday night trip to Crewe is yet another six pointer. Just when most people had written them off they pulled off the surprise result of the week when they snatched a 1-0 victory at Grimsby on Tuesday night. I understand they were under seige for most of the game with the woodwork coming to their rescue more than once. A number of our own fans stated that our win at Mansfield was our best away performance since the 3-1 victory at Crewe just over a year ago. Lets hope we can produce another performance like that and get revenge for that 1-0 FA Cup defeat in January. Dario Gradi's sides are known to play good football and at times they do appear to want to pass the ball half a dozen times when one pass would be sufficient. They are always attempting to catch sides on the break, both at Gresty Road and away from home.

They started the season off poorly and had to wait until their seventh league game before recording a victory. This came at Bury who had won four of their opening league matches. They also pulled off a remarkable 4-3 win at Cambridge, and followed that by dumping the same side 3-1 at Gresty Road. Andy Sussex is their leading marksman, but Edwards, Gardiner and Hignett who got the winner at Grimsby have all chipped in with goals. At the other end of the pitch there has been a remarkable turn round with Andy Goram currently the man between the sticks. His performance at Millmoor and how he came to play was a quite remarkable story which has already had a fair amount of publicity. Lets hope he does not produce another display like the recent one at Millmoor.

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RUJM ROUND UP

Congratulations to our 10's & 11's on gaining promotion. Our 10's winning their league and the 11's just missing out on being champions, finishing runners up. Also our under 15's on winning their league.

Well done to the Under 14's on their Cup Final win after drawing. At the end of normal time they came good to score a 3-1 victory over Dronfield. Cooper, Wake and Dufty scoring

UNDER 11's

Lost 3-2 to Stocksbridge away.

UNDER 12's

Played two games drawing both 3-3 against Throstles and 0-0 against

Sheffield Utd Junior Blades. Taylor 2 goals and Ashworth 1.

UNDER 13's

Ended their league fixtures against Greno Boys away, drawing 2-2. Atkinson scoring both goals.

UNDER 14's

Played Admiral and beat them 2-0. Ideson and Horsfield scoring.

UNDER 15's

Drew both their games in midweek 1-1 with the Young Owls. Hoe scoring. Then 2-2 with Woodhouse, Roden and Connolley on the score sheet.

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BARCLAYS LEAGUE FIXTURES 1990/91 DIV 3



Sat	Aug	25	Stoke City	A	13,048	1-3	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Goodwin
Wed	Aug	29	Doncaster (LC1(1))	A	3,665	6-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Goodwin
Sat	Sep	1	Shrewsbury Town	H	4,817	2-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Barnsley
Wed	Sep	5	Doncaster (LC 1(2))	H	3,573	2-1	O'Hanlon	Forest	Scott	Barnsley
Sat	Sep	8	Bury	A	2,998	1-3	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Dempsey
Sat	Sep	15	Wigan Athletic	H	4,100	5-1	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Scott	Spooner
Tue	Sep	18	Brentford	H	4,298	2-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Spooner
Sat	Sep	22	Leyton Orient	A	3,493	0-3	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Spooner
Tue	Sep	25	Blackburn R. 2nd R. 1st Leg	H	4,257	1-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Scott	Spooner
Sat	Sep	29	Reading	H	4,058	0-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Barnsley	Spooner
Tue	Oct	2	Grimsby Town	A	6,923	1-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Robinson	Spooner
Sat	Oct	6	Fulham	A	3,498	0-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Robinson	Spooner
Tue	Oct	9	Blackburn/Rumbelows/2nd rd	A	4,887	0-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Robinson	Watts
Sat	Oct	13	Huddersfield Town	H	6,071	1-3	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Robinson	Watts
Sat	Oct	20	Preston North End	H	4,599	1-0	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Tue	Oct	23	Bolton Wanderers	A	4,665	0-0	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Sat	Oct	27	Cambridge United	A	4,142	1-4	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Mon	Nov	3	Bradford City	H	6,057	0-2	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Mon	Nov	5	Halifax Town (L. Daf)	A	946	1-1	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Pickering
Mon	Nov	10	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A	5,442	2-4	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Sat	Nov	17	F.A. Cup Stockport	H	4,501	1-0	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Sat	Nov	24	Mansfield Town	H	3,728	1-1	Mercer	Forrest	Scott	Russell
Tue	Nov	27	Scarborough (L/Daf)	H	1,182	1-1	Mercer	Forrest	Robinson	Russell
Dec	1	Southend United	H	3,465	0-1	Mercer	Forrest	Robinson	Russell	
Dec	11	Halifax (F.A.Cup)	H	2,906	1-1	Mercer	Forrest	Robinson	Pickering	
Dec	15	Birmingham City	A	4,734	2-1	Mercer	Forrest	Law	Russell	
Mon	Dec	17	Halifax (F.A. Cup)	A	2,132	2-1	Mercer	Barnsley	Law	Spooner
Sat	Dec	22	Exeter City	A	3,752	0-2	Mercer	Barnsley	Law	Spooner
Wed	Dec	26	Chester City	H	3,547	2-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Robinson	Spooner
Sat	Dec	29	Tranmere Rovers	H	4,316	1-1	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Russell	Spooner
Tue	Jan	1	Swansea City	A	5,938	0-5	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Russell	Spooner
Sat	Jan	5	Swansea City (FA Cup 3rd rd)	A	6,478	0-0	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Richardson
Sat	Jan	12	Shrewsbury Town	A	2,800	0-0	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Richardson
Tue	Jan	15	Tranmere LD Cup	A	2,977	0-3	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Richardson
Mon	Jan	19	Stoke City	H	6,236	0-0	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Thompson
Mon	Jan	21	Swansea City F.A. Cup	H	4,233	4-0	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Thompson
Mon	Jan	26	Crewe Alex F.A. 4th R	A	6,057	0-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Barnsley	Thompson
Feb	2	Brentford	A	5,540	2-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Barnsley	Richardson	
Feb	5	Leyton Orient	H	4,056	0-0	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Barnsley	Richardson	
Tue	Feb	12	Crewe Alexandra	A						
Sat	Feb	23	A.F.C. Bournemouth	H	4,107	1-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Dempsey
Mar	2	Southend United	A	5,622	1-2	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Richardson	
Tue	Mar	5	Bury	H	3,658	0-3	O'Hanlon	Hodges	Russell	Richardson
Sat	Mar	9	Birmingham City	H	5,015	1-1	O'Hanlon	Forrest	Russell	Richardson
Tue	Mar	12	Grimsby Town	H						
Sat	Mar	16	Reading	A	3,250	0-2	O'Hanlon	Russell	Robinson	Spooner
Tue	Mar	19	Huddersfield Town	A	4,578	0-4	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin
Sat	Mar	23	Fulham	H	3,190	3-1	Mercer	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin
Tue	Mar	26	Wigan Ath	A		0-2	Mercer	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin
Mar	30	Chester City	A	1,079	2-1	Mercer	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin	
Mon	Apr	1	Exeter City	H	3,701	2-4	Mercer	Barnsley	Forrest	Goodwin
Sat	Apr	6	Tranmere Rovers	A	7,398	2-1	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin
Tue	Apr	9	Crewe	H	4,141	1-1	O'Hanlon	Barnsley	Robinson	Goodwin
Sat	Apr	13	Swansea City	H	3,510	2-3	O'Hanlon	Russell	Forrest	Richardson
Sat	Apr	20	Preston North End	A	4,069	2-1	O'Hanlon	Russell	Taylor	Richardson
Tue	Apr	23	Mansfield Town	A	4,041	2-1	O'Hanlon	Russell	Taylor	Richardson
Sat	Apr	27	Bolton Wanderers	H						
May	4	Cambridge United	H							
May	11	Bradford City	A							



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Law	Richardson	Dempsey	Spooner	Williamson	Goater	Hazel	Thompson(11)	Goodwin(8)
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Law	Watts	Goodwin	Dempsey	Evans	Mendonca	Hazel	Thompson(10)	Goater
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Law	Watts	Goodwin	Dempsey	Goater	Spooner	Hazel	Evans	Thompson(6)
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1986/87 - A change of programme style and a new league sponsor, the TODAY Newspaper. Someone called Dave Nicholls joined the promotions team as Commercial Manager and this dour 1st round F.A. Cup tie went to a second replay which we lost 1-0. David Watson published his fine book Millmoor Personalities 1946-86 and after 16 games we were planted firmly at the bottom of division three. Our team against Chester was: O'Hanlon, Dungworth, Crosby, Gooding, Smith, Slack, Pugh, Williams, Evans, Haycock, Douglas and Scott.

1987/88
This was the season of the three managers. We began with Norman Hunter had a brief affair with Dave Cusack and finished up with Billy McEwan. None of them could prevent the slide into the fourth division although McEwan (in charge for only a few games) came close. It was over twenty five years since we had last met Everton so this was a first for me at both Goodison and Millmoor. We were unlucky to loose this tie (3-2 away and 0-0 at home) but our league form let us down including two beatings by the champions elect Sunderland (3-0 at Roker and 4-1 at Millmoor), and if that wasn't enough they also thrashed us 7-1 in the Freight Rovers Trophy! We were now lining up: O'Hanlon, Douglas, Scott, Grealish, Johnson, Green, Pugh, Williams, Evans, Airey and Pepper. Stuart Clarkson

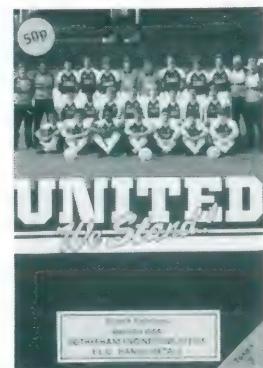
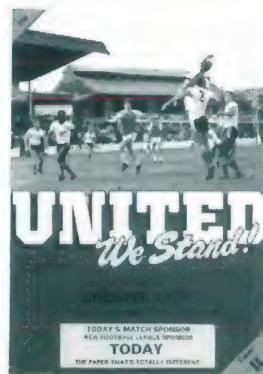
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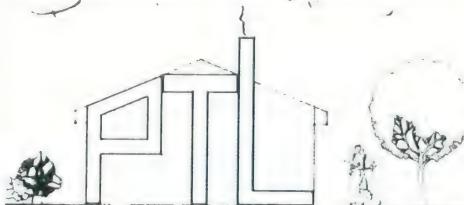
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MILLER TIMES



PETER DUFFIELD

Born: Middlesbrough

Millers	Appearances	Goals
	12	4 (2 Pens)

Bolton striker Tony Philiskirk will, no doubt, remember his loan spell from 'The Blades'. It was back in the days of Norman Hunter's Millmoor reign. The confident, likeable Geordie, was given a rough ride by fans at the lane at times such as the fickle nature of fans. (He was also given a rough ride in one game for the Millers feeling the effects of a stinging Nicky Law tackle, but that's another story!). Tony has responded to his career move to Bolton alongside former 'Owl' David Reeves who netted last week's late winner versus Leyton Orient to keep Bolton third. Peter Duffield crossed paths with Tony briefly at Bramall Lane, but Tony will be amongst well known faces at Millmoor today with Andy Barnsley, Mark Dempsey, Clive Mendonca all queuing up to buy him a beer, if Tony

fails to score of course! Peter Duffield's future at Bramall Lane was in doubt this season and even before then he was loaned out for 12 games to Halifax where six goals were scored. His time at Bramall Lane has earned him the respect of Blades fans who were seen muttering 'he's a good un' and other such phrases on Peter's arrival at Millmoor. At first, with the Millers such sought after need for a big man, the arrival of Duffield brought mixed response to yet another 'small', less physical player into the Millers squad. Peter though has shown himself to be consistent, equally at home on the flank (at Huddersfield where his first half crosses should have borne the first of a goal), or in a more central role. This role has been helped with the arrival of John Pearson, for whom the phrase 'good in the air' is an understatement. These two (whilst also filling the Millers exclusive label i.e. Must have played for Donny, Sheff Wednesday, Sheff Utd or from the North East, in which case Duffield is over qualified being a Geordie as well as a blade!) have formed a crucial partnership. Many thought Peter should have taken the penalty v Birmingham which Clive Mendonca missed when, after Brum equalised, United raced upfield and earned a 'pen' off Vince Owers' arm, almost from the restart. Peter missed a late diving header to seal the points and give him a happy home debut. His settling process is over his form in front of goal consistent. Two 'pens' v Crewe (after Jason Smart handled Dean Barricks cross) and v Swansea (Goodwin tripped via a smart move) were clinically taken. His other goal at Chester earned the Millers three valuable points and at Tranmere his thumping drive, which Eric Nixon brilliantly saved was, arguably, the point on which the match turned in the Millers favour, despite being 1-0 down still. He slipped another goal home v Fulham and his skilful, thoughtfully measured play came direct from having gained success with that Bramall Lane outfit. Peter's future here, beyond the end of the season is unknown, but his spell here is giving the Millers hope.

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ROTHERHAM UNT RES 4 ASTON VILLA RES 1

Millers team: Mercer, Barnsley, Taylor, Roddis, Watts, Hodges, Thompson, Barrick, Goater (Dolby 85) Howard, Hathaway. Subs: Anson.

Another couple of goals from Shaun Goater, 'that's sixteen for him in the reserves this season', helped the Millers to another fine victory over a first division club. Goater hit his first after sixteen minutes from just inside the box after a pass from Hathaway. Villa had plenty of possession but Goater hit them with a second goal after 38 minutes. Howard provided the cross for him to side foot home. Carruthers hit a post for Villa but two goals in a minute put the game out of their reach. Dean Barrick scored with a crisp shot from outside the box, and then Hathaway chipped home following a shot-cum-cross from Goater. Dwight Yorks headed a consolation goal for the visitors after 71 minutes. Shaun Goater took a nasty looking knock late on and had to come off.

ROTHERHAM UNT RES 4 LEEDS UNITED RES 2

Millers Team: Mercer, Russell, Taylor, Roddis, Watts, Richardson, Thompson, Dempsey, Goater, Mendonca, Hathaway. Subs: Howard and Dolby.

Shaun Goater produced another fine display for the reserves scoring all four goals in the 4-2 defeat of Leeds United.

It was the visitors who took the lead after 12 minutes, a through ball sent Henderson clear and he fired past Billy Mercer. It took the Millers thirteen minutes to equalise, a good move down the right saw trialist Nicky Roddis knock in a fine cross and Shaun Goater got up to put his header into the bottom corner. Rotherham now got well on top and took the lead following a corner on the right, Julian Watts did well to get the ball back across the goal and Shaun Goater did the rest at the far post. Just before the interval Shaun Goater grabbed his hat trick with a superb goal.

Simon Thompson crossed from the right, Billy Russell flicked on and Shaun Goater volleyed home.

Leeds started the second half in determined fashion, but it was Rotherham who went closest to increasing the lead, the visitors scrambling a Clive Mendonca shot off the line. On 66 minutes the Millers made it 4-1, Billy Russell sent Shaun Goater down the inside right channel and he hammered home a fine shot for his fourth goal. Imre Varadi should have pulled a goal back after 75 minutes but he missed from 6 yards, however after a mix up in the Millers defence he made the score 4-2 from close range 85 minutes.

Another good victory for the reserves with a number of good performances with Shaun Goater's four goals winning him the Man of the Match.

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TABLE as at 21st April 1991

DIVISION ONE	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Agt.	Goals	Pts.
Sheffield Wednesday	30	20	5	5	63	34	65	
Nottingham Forest	28	18	6	4	82	44	60	
Manchester United	31	17	5	9	48	32	56	
Liverpool	30	16	4	10	56	34	52	
Everton	31	16	3	12	55	46	51	
Rotherham United	31	14	7	10	55	48	49	
Sunderland	31	12	7	12	60	55	43	
Leeds United	30	11	10	9	43	41	43	
Aston Villa	29	11	8	10	35	43	41	
Newcastle United	30	11	5	14	44	41	38	
Coventry City	30	8	12	10	39	45	36	
Manchester City	30	10	6	14	43	50	36	
Blackburn Rovers	30	9	8	13	47	50	35	
Sheffield United	29	9	6	14	48	64	33	
Derby County	29	6	10	13	26	39	28	
Huddersfield Town	30	6	10	14	32	60	28	
Leicester City	31	7	6	18	39	59	27	
Wolverhampton Wanderers	30	7	6	17	37	67	27	

The Pontins Central League Rotherham United								
Wed Aug 29	Nottingham Forest	A	3-3	GOATER2/WATTS 1	Tue Dec 11	Manchester United	A	2-4 TAYLOR/HOWARD
Tue Sep 4	Huddersfield Town	H	2-1	MENDONCA/RUSSELL	Wed Dec 19	Huddersfield Town	A	3-1 HOWARD2/PICKERING 1
Wed Sep 5					Tue Jan 8	Nottingham Forest	H	1-1 HOWARD
Wed Sep 12	Sheffield United	A	3-1	HOWARD/EVANS/MENDONCA	Wed Jan 16	Newcastle United	A	3-1 GOATER2/HOWARD
Thu Sep 20	Newcastle United	H	1-3	GOODWIN	Tue Jan 22	Sheffield United	H	0-0
Mon Sep 24	Aston Villa	A	1-3	HOWARD	Tue Jan 29	Manchester United	H	3-1 GOATER 3
Wed Sep 26					Wed Feb 6	Everton	A	1-0 MENDONCA
Wed Oct 3	Manchester City	H	4-0	HOWARD 2/GOATER/BUCKLEY	Wed Feb 13	Derby County	H	1-0 GOODWIN
Wed Oct 10	Wolverhampton W	H	3-1	WILLIAMSON2/HODGES1	Wed Feb 20	Sunderland	A	2-2 MENDONCA 2
Mon Oct 15	Leicester City	A	0-2		Tue Feb 26	Blackburn Rovers	H	1-0 OWNGOAL
Wed Oct 24	Liverpool	H	0-3		Tue Mar 5	Coventry City	A	0-0
Wed Oct 31					Wed Mar 20	Sheffield Wednesday	H	0-1
Thur Nov 1	Manchester City	A	3-1	EVANS2/SPOONER	Wed Mar 27	Leeds United	A	2-2 HODGES/ANSON
Tue Nov 6	Sunderland	H	2-1	GOATER/HODGES	Tue Apr 2	Sheffield Wednesday	A	3-4 GOATER/HOWARD 2
Tue Nov 13	Derby County	A	0-2		Tue Apr 9	Leeds United	H	4-2 GOATER 4
Tue Nov 20	Coventry City	H	0-1		Tue Apr 16	Aston Villa	H	4-1 GOATER2/BARRICK/HATHAWAY
Wed Nov 28	Blackburn Rovers	A	3-3	SANSON/S GOATER/I HOWARD	Tue Apr 23	Liverpool	A	0-2
Tue Dec 4	Everton	H	0-3		Wed May 1	Wolverhampton W	A	
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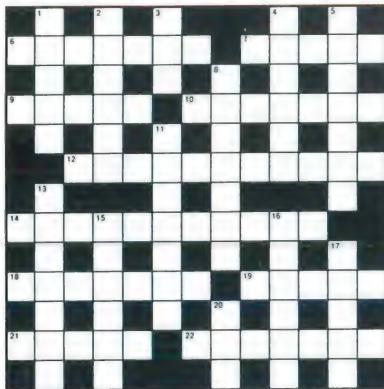
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9. Neil joined Tranmere late in his career (5)
10. Former England cricket captain (7)
12. And 2 Down. Golfers can drop their ball away from this area without penalty (6,5,6)
14. Striker who won 46 England caps (4,7)

ACROSS: 6. Fereday, 7. Goyle, 9. McNab, 10. Gatting, 12. Ground Under, 14. Mike Channon, 18. Bristol, 19. Ripon, 21. Screw, 22. Swansea. DOWN: 1. Peach, 2. Repair, 3. Gay, 4. Martyn, 5. Glances, 8. Maldini, 11. Hughton, 13. Tim Rice, 15. Easter, 16. Orient, 17. Jones, 20. Two

18. City with two clubs (7)

19. Race-course (5)

21. Difficult snooker shot (5)

22. Toshack's old club (7)

DOWN

1. Left-back in Southampton's F.A. Cup winners (5)
2. See 12 Across
3. Shrewsbury Town play at this Meadow (3)
4. Crystal Palace bought him from Bristol Rovers (6)
5. Cricket shots (7)
8. Ever-present for Italy in the 1990 World Cup (7)
11. Chris spent most of his career with Spurs (7)
13. This musical-writer is a cricket fanatic (3,4)
15. Hibs play at this Road (6)
16. Their nickname is 'The O's' (6)
17. Sheffield United captain (5)
20. Lineker's goals in this season's F.A. Cup semi-final (3)

ANSWERS

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QUIZ

1. Name the manager of Scarborough FC?
2. Altrincham are favourites to be in the fourth division next season. What is the name their ground and their nickname?
3. Edgeley Park is the home of which club?
4. Fir Park is the home of which Scottish club?
5. Graham Taylor the current England manager and Dave Bassett have both managed which club?
6. Heart of Midlothian are based in which Scottish City?

Answers

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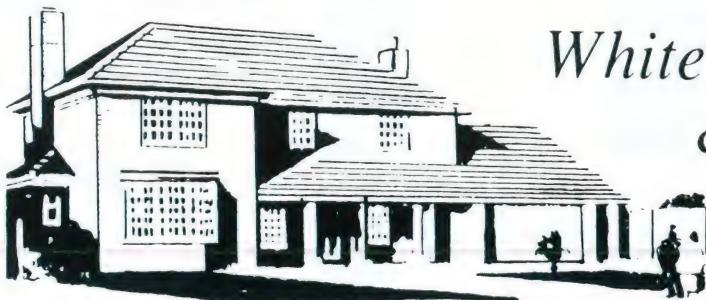
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Cambridge United are the team in form at the moment. Two away wins at Shrewsbury and Bournemouth were followed by two home victories over Stoke and Bournemouth inside the past week. They are now just a point behind Southend as are Grimsby and Bolton who are our visitors today. Cambridge look as though they could be champions but they have a tricky away game at Wigan today. That game kicks off at noon because Wigan R L F C are at Wembley this afternoon. Wigan are another team in form, it's now six games undefeated for them and they have a great chance of making the play off. Grimsby have lost their goalscoring touch, no goals in the last three matches is not the form of potential champions. They battered Crewe on Tuesday but could not find a way through. Bolton had sub David Reeves to thank for a last minute winner over Leyton Orient last Saturday. Tranmere Rovers who play at Mansfield

today look a good bet for the play offs. They got back to winning ways winning 1-0 over Exeter at Prenton Park last Saturday. They had lost their previous three matches and looked to have spurned the chance of automatic promotion. Remember they have a date at Wembley against Birmingham in the Leyland Daf finals. Lou Macari's side have a chance of play offs but they need to beat Crewe today to stay in the hunt. Despite selling a number of players (two to Bolton) Bury are still in a play off position and they could do us a big favour by defeating Fulham at Gigg Lane. I understand they were a little disappointing at Reading last Saturday so lets hope that was only a hiccup. My final prediction is that Cambridge will be champions, Southend and Bolton will go up with them and Brentford will win the play offs with Bury, Tranmere and Grimsby just missing out.

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